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I. Purpose

St. Louis Park Public Schools ~~The school district~~ desires to participate in the Enrollment Options Program established by Minn. Stat. § 124D.03. It is the purpose of this policy to set forth the application and exclusion procedures used by **St. Louis Park Public Schools** ~~the school district~~ in making said determination.

II. General Statement of Procedures

A. Eligibility

Applications for enrollment under the Enrollment Options (Open Enrollment) Law will be approved provided that acceptance of the application will not exceed the capacity of a program, class, grade level, or school building as established by school board resolution and provided that:

1. space is available for the applicant under enrollment cap standards established by school board policy or other directive; and
2. in considering the capacity of a grade level, **St. Louis Park Public Schools** ~~the school district~~ may only limit the enrollment of nonresident students to a number not less than the lesser of:
 - (a) one percent of the total enrollment at each grade level in **St. Louis Park Public Schools** ~~the school district~~; or
 - (b) the number of school district resident students at that grade level enrolled in a nonresident school district in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 124D.03.
3. the applicant is not otherwise excluded by action of **St. Louis Park Public Schools** ~~the school district~~ because of previous conduct in another school district.

B. Standards that may be used for rejection of application.

In addition to the provisions of Paragraph II.A., **St. Louis Park Public Schools** ~~the school district~~ may refuse to allow a **student** ~~pupil~~ who is expelled under Section 121A.45 to enroll during the term of the expulsion if the student was expelled for:

1. possessing a dangerous weapon, including a weapon, device, instruments, material, or substance, animate or inanimate, that is used for, or is readily capable of, causing death or serious bodily injury, with the exception of a pocket knife with a blade less than two and one-half inches in length, at school or a school function;
2. possessing or using an illegal drug at school or a school function;



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3. selling or soliciting the sale of a controlled substance while at school or a school function; or
4. committing a third-degree assault involving assaulting another and inflicting substantial bodily harm.

C. Standards that may not be used for rejection of application.

St. Louis Park Public Schools ~~The school district~~ may not use the following standards in determining whether to accept or reject an application for open enrollment:

1. previous academic achievement of a student;
2. athletic or extracurricular ability of a student;
3. disabling conditions of a student;
4. a student's proficiency in the English language;
5. the student's district of residence; or
6. previous disciplinary proceedings involving the student. This shall not preclude **St. Louis Park Public Schools** ~~the school district~~ from proceeding with exclusion as set out in Section E. of this policy.

D. Application

The student and parent or guardian must complete and submit an Application for Enrollment School District Enrollment Options Program developed by the Minnesota Department of Education (that enrollment form follows this policy).

E. Exclusion

1. Administrator's initial determination.

If a **St. Louis Park Public Schools** ~~school district~~ administrator knows or has reason to believe that an applicant has engaged in conduct that has subjected or could subject the applicant to expulsion or exclusion under law or **St. Louis Park Public Schools** ~~school district~~ policy, the administrator will transmit the application to the superintendent with a recommendation of whether exclusion proceedings should be initiated.

2. Superintendent's review.

The superintendent may make further inquiries. If the superintendent determines that the applicant should be admitted, he or she will notify the applicant and the



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school board chair. If the superintendent determines that the applicant should be excluded, the superintendent will notify the applicant and determine whether the applicant wishes to continue the application process. Although an application may not be rejected based on previous disciplinary proceedings, **St. Louis Park Public Schools** the school district reserves the right to initiate exclusion procedures pursuant to the Minnesota Pupil Fair Dismissal Act as warranted on a case-by-case basis.

F. Termination of Enrollment

1. **St. Louis Park Public Schools** The school district may terminate the enrollment of a nonresident student enrolled under an enrollment options program pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 124D.03 or 124D.08 at the end of a school year if the student meets the definition of a habitual truant, the student has been provided appropriate services for truancy under Minn. Ch. 260A, and the student's case has been referred to juvenile court. A "habitual truant" is a child under 16 years of age who is absent from attendance at school without lawful excuse for seven school days if the child is in elementary school or for one or more class periods on seven school days if the child is in middle school, junior high school or high school, or a child who is 16 or 17 years of age who is absent from attendance at school without lawful excuse for one or more class periods on seven school days and who has not lawfully withdrawn from school under Minn. Stat. § 120A.22, Subd. 8.
2. **St. Louis Park Public Schools** The school district may also terminate the enrollment of a nonresident student over 16 years of age if the student is absent without lawful excuse for one or more periods on 15 school days and has not lawfully withdrawn from school under Minn. Stat. § 120A.22, Subd. 8.



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Legal References:

Minn. Stat. § 120A.22, Subd. 8 (Withdrawal from School)
Minn. Stat. § 124D.03 (Enrollment Options Program)
Minn. Stat. § 124D.08 (School Board Approval to Enroll in Nonresident District)
Minn. Stat. § 124D.68 (High School Graduation Incentives Program)
Minn. Stat. § 121A.40-121A.56 (The Pupil Fair Dismissal Act)
Minn. Ch. 260A (Truancy)
Minn. Stat. § 260C.007, Subd. 19 (Habitual Truant Defined)
Op. Minn. Atty. Gen. No. 169-f (August 13, 1986)

Cross References:

ISD 283 ~~MSBA/MASA Model~~ Policy 506 (Student Discipline)
ISD 283 ~~MSBA/MASA Model~~ Policy 517 (Student Recruiting)
MSBA Service Manual, Chapter 5, Various Educational Programs